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Hon. Laurie J. Yardley

Judgeship

1995 - present
Judge of the County Court, 3rd Judicial District
Lancaster County

1997, 2003, 2010, 2015
Presiding Judge of the 3rd Judicial District, Lancaster County

Experience

1983 - 1995
Lancaster County Attorney's Office, county attorney
Lincoln, NE

1982 - 1983
Lancaster County Attorney's Office, law clerk
Lincoln, NE

Education

University of Nebraska College of Law, 1983
Juris Doctorate

University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 1980
Bachelor of Arts & Science

Judicial/Law Related Activities

Professional Affiliations

Nebraska State Bar Association
Nebraska State Bar Foundation
Lincoln Bar Association
Master of the Bench, Robert Van Pelt American Inn of Court

Nebraska State Bar/Local Attorney Association Committees

Lincoln Bar Association, Board of Directors
Nebraska State Bar Association, Criminal Law Practice & Procedure Committee, past member
Family Preservation/Case Coordination Team, past member

Nebraska Supreme Court Committees

Case Management Committee for the County Courts, member

Nebraska County Judges Association

Executive Committee, member, 2009 - present
Criminal Procedure Committee, member
Orientation Sub-Committee of the Education Committee, member

Community Activities

Initiated County Court Amnesty Day
Mock Trial Regional Coordinator
Teammate Mentor, Teammates Mentoring Program

Honors and Awards

2005, Nebraska State Bar Foundation Fellow:
Nebraska State Bar Foundation Fellow selection is based on the integrity and character of the lawyer/judge. Fellows are accredited by colleagues as leaders of the legal profession who contribute to charitable works and community education. Membership recognizes established legal professionals dedicated to improving the administration of justice.

UNL Chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta
UNL Political Science Honor Society

Teaching & Publishing

Instructor, Press Education Seminar, on pre-trial detention and bonds
Education presentations in schools, on child support, paternity juvenile & criminal law
Trainer, police & child protective services, on investigation of child sex abuse

Participated in taping of program, "Having Kids, Cost?Responsibility of Parents," 1992
Judge, mock trials, UNL Law College Trial Advocacy classes
Presenter, at County and District Judges Education meeting on DWI law
